

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
U.S. Patent Application No. 09/824,049

REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment are respectfully requested. By this Amendment, Applicant has canceled claims 10 and 13 and added new claims 19-26. Thus, claims 1-9, 11, 12 and 14-26 are now pending in the application. It is respectfully submitted that the instant Amendment does not introduce new matter into the application.

Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-9, 11, 12 and 14-26 should be allowable over the prior art of record for the same reasons set forth in the Amendment filed March 22, 2004 and the Notice of Allowance dated June 14, 2004.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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